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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT OF DAUGHTER OF GENERAL
NIVAR AT WALTER REED HOSPITAL

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1. IN LETTER, ACCOMPANIED BY PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE, MAJOR
GENERAL NEIT NIVAR SEIJAS, A SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE
PRESIDENCY, HAS REQUESTED THE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING
MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR HIS 20-YEAR OLD DAUGHTER, MATILDE YOLANDA
NIVAR BAEZ, AT WALTER REED HOSPITAL.

2. THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATE, SIGNED BY DR. NICOLAS E. PICHARDO,
A WELL REPUTED DOMINICAN PHYSICIAN SPECIALIZING IN INTERNAL
MEDICINE, STATES (IN TRANSLATION):

"ON DECEMBER 24, 1974 I EXAMINED SENORITA MATILDE YOLANDA
NIVAR BAEZ AND CONFIRMED THAT SHE IS SUFFERING FROM LOSS OF WEIGHT,
FREQUENT EVENING FEVERS, (AND) COPIOUS PERSPIRATION
WHICH, IT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED, ARE DUE TO AN INFECTION OF
BRUCELA ABORTUS; THE TREATMENT GIVEN IN THIS COUNTRY AND ALSO
MEXICO HAS NOT BEEN SUCCESSFULL IN ERADICATING THE MALADY; IN
VIEW OF THIS SITUATION AND THE DETERIORATION OF HER GENERAL
CONDITION IT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED THAT SHE GO TO THE US FOR
DEFINITIVE DIAGNOSIS AND APPROPRIATE TREATMENT; IT IS

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SPECIFICALLY RECOMMENDED THAT IF POSSIBLE SHE GO TO WALTER

REED HOSPITAL, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT THIS INSTITUTION IS WHERE THE INDICATED OBJECTIVES MAY BEST BE ACHIEVED."

3. GENERAL NIVAR HAS INDICATED THAT THE NEED FOR TREATMENT OF HIS DAUGHTER IS URGENT, AND THE PRESIDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY HAS INTERCEDED WITH THE CHARGE IN SUPPORT OF A FAVORABLE AND EXPEDITIOUS RESPONSE TO GENERAL NIVAR'S REQUEST.

4. A FORMER CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY AND FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE, GENERAL NIVAR IS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL MILITARY FIGURES IN THIS COUNTRY AND REMAINS A CLOSE ADVISOR OF PRESIDENT BALAGUER IN HIS CURRENT POSITION. HIS ANXIETY HAS INTENSIFIED AS HIS DAUGHTER HAS FAILED TO RESPOND TO THE USUAL TREATMENT FOR BRUCELLOSIS, OF WHICH SHE SHOWS THE SYMPTOMS. PHYSICIANS IN THE COUNTRY CONSULTED INDEPENDENTLY BY THE EMBASSY INDICATE THAT THERE ARE NO LOCAL SPECIALIZED FACILITIES FOR TREATMENT OF THIS DISEASE. WALTER REED HOSPITAL IS CONSIDERED TO BE A PARTICULARLY WELL EQUIPPED FACILITY TO DEAL WITH IT. GENERAL NIVAR'S LETTER STATES THAT HE WILL BEAR THE EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE TREATMENT. HE HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THE CURRENT RATES AT MILITARY HOSPITALS AND HE IS KNOWN TO HAVE AMPLE MEANS TO ASSUME THE COSTS.

5. IN VIEW OF THE LEADING ROLE OF GENERAL NIVAR IN THE DOMINICAN POWER STRUCTURE AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE, IT WOULD SERVE THE US NATIONAL INTEREST TO ACCOMMODATE GENERAL NIVAR'S REQUEST FOR TREATMENT OF HIS DAUGHTER AT WALTER REED HOPITAL TO THE EXTENT IT IS POSSIBLE TO DO SO. PURSUANT TO PARA 2 OF THE REFAIRGRAM THIS CASE WAS PERSONALLY REVIEWED BY THE CHARGE; IT WAS DISCUSSED WITH THE AMBASSADOR AND HE APPROVED THE SUBSTANCE OF THE RECOMMENDATION A FEW DAYS AGO WHEN THE EMBASSY BECAME AWARE THAT GENERAL NIVAR INTENDED TO SUBMIT A FORMAL REQUEST.

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